503-02-Vehicle/Equipment Replacement Funds

Fund/Agency: 503/10	Department of	Vehicle Services			
Personnel Services	\$0				
Operating Expenses	\$0				
Recovered Costs	\$0	CAPS Percentage of Agency Total			
Capital Equipment	\$11,409,802				
Total CAPS Cost:	\$11,409,802	25.0%			
Federal Revenue	\$0				
State Revenue	\$0				
User Fee Revenue	\$0				
Other Revenue	\$11,452,669				
		75.0%			
Total Revenue:	\$11,452,669				
Net CAPS Cost:	(\$42,867)	■ Vehicle/Equipment Replacement Funds ■ All Other Agency CAPS			
Positions/SYE involved in the delivery of this CAPS	0/0				

▶ CAPS Summary

The Department of Vehicle Services manages several replacement funds whose purpose is to set aside funding over the life of a vehicle (or equipment) in order to pay for the replacement of the vehicle at such time as the vehicle meets replacement criteria. Therefore, the Vehicle Replacement Reserve ensures the systematic replacement of vehicles which have completed their cost-effective life cycles.

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The current replacement criteria include the age, mileage, and condition of the vehicle. This fund is intended primarily for General Fund agencies, and as of July 1, 2001, approximately 1,800 vehicles (and 30 agencies) participate in the fund. Vehicle Replacement Reserve Fund revenues are generated through monthly billings to the agency that owns the vehicle. Vehicles that were put into service prior to FY 1998 pay into the fund based on a mileage replacement rate which is based on the projected future cost of replacing the vehicle, divided by the projected miles to be driven. The fiscal impact to agencies owning vehicles that pay into the fund on this method is based on the annual mileage of the agency's vehicles. Vehicles that were put into service since FY 1998 pay into the fund based on a flat monthly charge which is based on the projected future cost of replacing the vehicle, divided by the projected life miles of the vehicle.

The Vehicle Replacement Reserve Fund supports the following major customers:

Agency	Percentage of Revenues in Reserve		
Police Department	62.2%		
Fire & Rescue Department	7.7%		
Office of Site Development Services	4.5%		
Office of the Sheriff	3.8%		
Maintenance and Stormwater Management	3.1%		
Facilities Management Division	2.8%		
Housing and Community Development	2.6%		
Family Services	2.4%		
Mental Health Services	1.3%		
Park Authority	1.3%		
Mental Retardation Services	1.1%		

The Helicopter Replacement Fund was started in FY 1996, and a Boat Replacement Fund was started in FY 2002, both of which support the Police Department. The Police Department makes regular flat payments into the funds to ensure that funding is available for regular replacement programs. The first helicopter to be purchased out of the helicopter replacement fund was purchased in FY 2001. The Ambulance Replacement Fund and the Large Apparatus Replacement fund were started in FY 1997 and FY 1998, respectively. Similar to the Helicopter Replacement Fund, the Fire and Rescue Department makes regular payments into these funds to ensure that funding is available when a piece of Fire Apparatus or Ambulance requires replacing. For all four of these funds, the Police Department or the Fire and Rescue Department are responsible for determining what annual payments are required, and for requesting the required funding as part of their annual budgets. Those payments are shown as a revenue in the Fund 503 Fund Statement. Those agencies also coordinate with DVS to ensure that the DVS budget submission includes requests for appropriation as necessary, to purchase the replacement vehicles.

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In FY 1998 the Board of Supervisors authorized a General Fund transfer for the purpose of starting a School Bus Replacement Fund. As of July 2001, 98 buses have been ordered and expended from this fund and no funding is included in the FY 2002 Adopted Budget Plan. In addition, as part of the FY 1999 Carryover Review, a FASTRAN Bus Replacement Fund was established to allow the Department of Community and Recreation Services to set aside funding for the replacement of FASTRAN buses. As of July 2001, 26 buses have been ordered from of this fund.

▶ Method of Service Provision

Oversight of the various replacement programs is provided by DVS administrative employees. The DVS administrative offices are open Monday through Friday from 7:00am to 4:30pm. Timing of vehicle replacement is determined by the age, mileage, and operating cost per mile. For the Vehicle Replacement Reserve, and the Ambulance Replacement Reserve, customers are notified when a vehicle meets the replacement criteria. The agency then works with DVS to verify that the condition of the vehicle warrants its replacement. For the Helicopter Replacement Fund, Boat Replacement Fund and Large Apparatus Fund, the agency works with DVS to determine which year DVS should request an appropriation.

Performance/Workload Related Data

Title	FY 1998 Actual	FY 1999 Actual	FY 2000 Actual	FY 2001 Estimate	FY 2002 Estimate
Number of Agencies participating in the Vehicle Replacement Reserve	34	32	31	30*	30
Number of Vehicles participating in the Vehicle Replacement Reserve	1,573	1,654	1,780	1849*	1,900
Number of vehicles ordered from the Vehicle Replacement Reserve	190	358	242	261*	277
Number of Ambulances Ordered	0	6	3	3*	7
Number of Large FRD Apparatus Ordered	0	1	0	5*	9
Number of School Buses Ordered	0	61	37	0*	0
Number of FASTRAN buses Ordered	0	0	5	21*	15

^{*} The figure shown is the FY 2001 Actual, as no FY 2001 Estimate was available.